OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

Getting Acquainted.

I got acquainted very quick
With Teddy Brown, when he
Moved in the house across the street,
The nearest one you see.

I climbed and sat upon a post
To look, and so did he;
I stared and stared across at him
And he stared back at me.

I s'posed he wanted me to speak.
I thought I'd try and see—
I said, 'Hello!' to Teddy Brown;
He said, 'Hello!' to me.

—St. Nicholas.

Company E.

Company E is started in this number. There are twenty-seven names in it at the commencement. This is more than one fourth of the company already. Nora Early of Nappanee, Ind., is the captain of this company. This company is going to be a Salvation Army because the captain is a girl.

Frank Yoder sends a great big list of names. We think a hundred soldiers can be found in Kansas and Nebraska. He is first rate at enlisting soldiers. We think he will soon need to be called General Yoder.

The good work goes on. We wish much happiness to all.

YOUR EDITOR.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my second attempt to write for the Children's Column. I go to school and like it very much. I like my teacher. We have Bible class every Wednesday evening. We have prayer meeting every Saturday evening. I led the meeting last Saturday evening. We have church every two weeks in the evening and every three weeks in the day. Bro. Benjaman Gochnour is our pastor. We have Sunday school every Sunday, and I think it is nice to see a lot of little ones in the church.

LEWIS BENSHOFF.

DEAR EDITOR:—I send you fifteen additional recruits and $1.50 for Company D. Father brought me a number of names from Carleton, Neb., where he goes to preach every two weeks. I still think we can fill Company D with Kansas and Nebraska soldiers. I hope that all from these states who read the EVANGELIST will send in their names at once direct to the office. Of course we can take in a few from other states if needed, but they will not be needed if this call is heeded.

FRANK YODER.

Morrill, Kansas.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I went to school this winter, but I missed a great deal. Our school closed on Friday, I was very sorry. My teacher's name was Emma J. Hood. I go to Sunday school and church nearly every Sunday. Papa, mamma and I belong to the Brethren church. Brother McFaden is elected for our pastor, the following year, in Johnstown. I would like to belong to company D. I will close by sending ten cents. If I see this in print I may write again.

Yours truly,
MINNIE M. MILLER

Johnstown, Pa.

DEAR EDITOR:—As it has been a long time since I have written I thought I would write again to see if I can help the boys and girls crowd out the advertisements. It has been a rainy day. Our school commences April 1st, that will be tomorrow. Our Sunday School commences next Sunday, April 7th, and the lesson is about The Triumphal Entry. I am 14 years old, and my birthday was the first day of March. I received a Testament as a present. I did not go to school very much this winter on account of bad cold. Next Saturday Mr. Rittgers comes so as to preach for us Saturday night, Sunday forenoon and Sunday night. I can not think of much to write so good by for this time. If I see this in print I may write again.

MAY L. CLARK.

The Human Heart.

A curious calculation has been made by Dr. Richarson, giving the work of the heart in mileage. Presuming that the blood was thrown out of the heart at each pulsation in the proportion of 69 strokes per minute, and at the assumed force of 9 feet, the mileage of the blood through the body might be taken at 207 yards per minute, 7 miles per hour, 168 miles per day, 61,320 miles per year, or 5,150,880 miles in a life-time of 84 years. The number of beats of the heart in the same long life would reach the grand total of 2,869,776,000. Medical World.

A Spider-Web Telephone.

While a gentleman was watching some spiders last summer, it occurred to him to try what effect a tuning-fork would have on the insects. He suspected that they would regard the sound just as they were in the habit of regarding the sound made by a fly. He selected a large, ugly spider, that had been feasting on flies for two months. The spider was at one edge of its web. Sounding the fork, he touched a thread at the other side, and watched the result. Mr. Spider had the buzzing sound conveyed to him over his telephone wires, but how was he to know on which particular wire the sound was traveling? He ran to the center of the web very quickly, and felt all around until he touched the thread against the other end of which the fork was sounding; then taking another thread along just as a man would take an extra piece of rope, he ran out to the fork and sprang upon it. But he retreated a little way, and looked at the fork. He was puzzled. He had expected to find a buzzing fly. He got on the fork again, and danced with delight. He had caught the sound of the fly, and it was music to him.—Ex.

Earnestness.

Earnestness is power. Yet no man will gain in earnestness by seeking to be in earnest, nor will he convince others that he is in earnest, by saying that he is in earnest. In order to show earnestness, a man must be in earnest; and the man who is in earnest cannot help showing it. Earnestness is of the man's self, and it is drawn out by the cause that can draw it out. When it is drawn out, every one who sees and hears the man knows that his earnestness is real. If, therefore, a man is in earnest in behalf of anything he undertakes, he may know that he has power in that direction; but if he lacks earnestness, it is of no use for him to try to seem to be in earnest.—Selected.

Arch Enemy of the Human Voice.

The Wagner school of music has proved itself the arch enemy of the human voice and of all rational modes for its development. The unnatural demands made upon the vocal organs, through Wagner's total ignorance of the art of singing, and the abnormal development of the orchestra, through the impatient yearnings of his unquiet soul, have banished for the time all chance of melody in music, and, as Wagner's utterances are the outcome of an age of noise and hurry, of ruined faiths and tragedies of passion, his genius must have its day and work its full measure of harm upon the voices chosen for the inhuman task of personating his superhuman creations.

But this time will come when the present mad havoc with the lungs and throats of singers shall cease. Just as men begin to see that war must be abolished, because the weapons of war have reached too high a power of destructiveness, so the thunders of drum and trumpet in the modern orchestra must subside, if that sweetest music, the tones of the human voice, is to be preserved to the race. The reaction must come. When the orchestration is made so magnificent and so suggestive that the voice is an unwelcome interruption, and when the instruments are so noisy that nothing of the voice can be heard beyond a screech or a howl, it is time for the two departments of expression to be separated; the orchestra should be left to itself, and recitatives should be delivered over to the spoken drama. There is no denying the genius of Wagner. His power of converting musical instruments into echoes of human passion has never been equaled, and will probably never be surpassed; "Lohengrin," "Tannhauser" and "Der Fliegende Hollander" will live forever in poetry and in song; but all the same, Wagner is to be feared and shunned by singers as the great destroyer of the human voice. —Detroit Free Press.

Americans More Hospitable.

"Between the American and English systems of club management," said Crawford M. Kendrick, a prominent member of the University club, to a Republic reporter, "there is a vast difference, which is especially noticeable to an American visiting London for the first time. The leading American clubs, while exclusive enough for all sensible purposes, are conducted with a view to their members being enabled to extend the privileges of club life to visitors from other cities or countries, and there isn't a club in the United States where a stranger, properly introduced by a member, would not be at once hospitably received and made to feel at home. That's one of the beauties of our club life. But how different with the large, first class London clubs. They have an enormous membership, running up sometimes to 6,000 or 7,000, and all own large and magnificent club houses. But they are the sacred and inviolable retreats of members, and no stranger passes beyond the reception parlors. You may go that far and send in your card, but your London friend, no matter to which one of the swell clubs he may belong, cannot get you an entree to the inner social life of his club, and is unable to extend any hospitality that way. Londoners who have visited New York and other American cities, and enjoyed the benefits of our more friendly system, are beginning to complain of this, and to protest against the rigid exclusiveness and selfishness of their own clubs.—St. Louis Republic.

An Instantaneous Cure.

An army surgeon was one night annoyed by the coughing of the sentry outside his tent. Unable to sleep, he decided that something must be done for the man, and so compounded him a strong and very disagreeable dose of medicine. Then, going out, he ordered the man to take it. The sentry at first refused politely, and afterward angrily and emphatically. But the surgeon sternly insisted upon his rights, and the man was finally induced to swallow the compound. The result was evidently satisfactory. The sound of coughing ceased in the camp, and the surgeon went to sleep with the consciousness of having done a good deed. The next morning he was summoned by the officer in command, who said to him: "How is this, sir? I hear serious complaints about you in relation to the sentries. One of them has reported that in the middle of the night you came out of your tent and abused him in the most dreadful manner. He said you made him swallow a drink which must have been poison." The guard had been relieved while the surgeon was compounding his mixture, and he had cured the wrong man.—Army and Navy Journal.

MISSIONARY NOTES.

Mexico is a Christian country, yet Bishop Hurst, of the Methodist Episcopal church, says that in Mexico 8,000,000 have never seen a copy of the Holy Scriptures.

Canon Lester, at Litchfield, England, is training a band of evangelist brothers to preach in Africa. There are to be uniformed—that is, wear coarse brown frocks, with cord around their waist, and carry Bibles in their hands.

One of the most efficient of mission workers is a woman in the mission of Mongzai, Burmah. She never preaches nor ever appears even on a public platform. She is content to see her teachings reproduced in the native helpers she has taught.

The fusion of the Presbyterian family of churches in Japan (Presbyterian, Reformed and Congregational) is fully consummated except as to the formal ratification by the parent bodies. The new name will be the United Church of Christ in Japan. Its membership (native) is about 15,000.

The Finnish Missionary society, whose mission in Gwamba land, in southwestern Africa, dates back twenty years, labored there twelve and a half years before being able to report a baptism. A year ago the number of baptized Christians was 80. Since then it has more than doubled, being now 165.

Spurgeon's Hornet's Nest.

It is not an easy thing to kill out a sin, even the smallest one. Every evil habit, disposition, appetite, or passion roots itself deeply, and it is slow work to get rid of them.

What is needed is not so much new resolutions as a new heart; not so much a new determination, as a new man to make a new determination.

In speaking of the gospel of Christ as the great cure for intemperance, Mr. Spurgeon said:

'There was a hornet's nest in my garden. I tryed to kill the hornets singly, but it took me a long time to dispose even of one. At last on a fine night, I heated a poker red hot, and dropped it in the hole where they were. I never saw another hornet! The living fire of the gospel is wanted to burn, not *one special sin only* but *all sins*, from the human heart.'—Sel.

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Englewood	2 35p m	8 50p m	9 00a m	7 05 pm
Hammond	3 25p m	9 42p m	9 45a m	7 50 pm
Crown Point		10 19p m	10 20a m	8 25 pm
Kouts		10 35p m	10 34a m	8 40 pm
No. Judson		10 45p m	10 44a m	8 50 pm
Rochester		10 55p m	10 54a m	9 00 pm
Akron		11 01p m	11 01a m	
Bolivar		11 18p m	11 18a m	
Hunt'gt'n Ar	6 35p m	1 01p m	12 30p m	
Hunt'gt'n Lv		1 15a m	12 50p m	
Richland			2 25p m	
Enterprise			2 35p m	
Spencerville			3 05p m	
Lima			4 10p m	
Preston			4 40p m	
Kenton			5 12p m	
Marion			5 45p m	
New York Ar			7 15p m	
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Chicago Ar	8 55p m	3 40p m	8 45a m	6 55 pm
Englewood	9 15p m	4 15a m	9 00a m	7 15 pm
Hammond	9 40p m	4 40a m	9 25a m	7 40 pm
Crown Point	10 35p m	5 28a m	10 20a m	8 30 pm
Kouts	11 10p m	6 05a m	10 54a m	9 05 pm
No. Judson	11 30p m	6 40a m	11 20a m	9 45 pm
Rochester	11 45p m	7 00a m	11 35a m	10 00 pm
Akron	12 40p m	7 55a m	12 30p m	10 55 pm
Bolivar	1 12a m	8 40a m	1 15p m	11 40 pm
Hunt'gt'n Ar	2 05a m	9 30a m	2 05p m	12 30 am
Hunt'gt'n Lv	2 15a m	9 45a m	2 15p m	12 40 am
Richland	3 02a m	10 35a m	3 05p m	1 30 am
Enterprise	3 28a m	11 01a m	3 35p m	2 00 am
Spencerville	4 00a m	11 35a m	4 10p m	2 35 am
Lima	4 40a m	12 20p m	4 50p m	3 15 am
Preston	5 12a m	1 01p m	5 30p m	3 55 am
Kenton	5 45a m	1 40p m	6 05p m	4 30 am
Marion	6 20a m	2 20p m	6 45p m	5 10 am
New York Ar	9 45a m	6 00p m	10 20p m	8 45 am
Boston	10 34a m	6 50p m	11 10p m	9 35 am
Chicago Ar	7 50a m	3 40p m	7 05p m	5 25a m

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STATIONS.	No. 3.	No. 9.	No. 11.	No. 15	No. 17.
Marion Lv	11 20 pm	3 35p m	8 00a m	4 35p m	6 55a m
Kenton	12 10 am	4 25p m	8 45a m	5 25p m	7 40a m
Linston	1 05 am	4 35p m	8 55a m	5 35p m	7 50a m
Spencerville			9 30a m	6 10p m	8 25a m
Enterprise	2 27a m	5 00p m	9 40a m	6 20p m	8 35a m
Decatur			10 05a m	6 45p m	9 00a m
Kingsland			10 15a m	6 55p m	9 10a m
Markle			10 25a m	7 05p m	9 20a m
Hunt'gt'n Ar	3 25a m	6 00p m	10 55a m	7 35p m	9 50a m
Hunt'gt'n Lv			11 00a m	7 40p m	9 55a m
New Madison			11 25a m	8 05p m	10 20a m
Bolivar			11 35a m	8 15p m	10 30a m
Akron	4 45a m	8 00p m	12 45p m	9 25p m	11 40a m
Rochester			1 00p m	9 40p m	11 55a m
No. Judson			1 15p m	9 55p m	12 10p m
Marshland			1 40p m	10 20p m	12 35p m
Kouts			2 14p m	10 55p m	1 10p m
Crown Point			2 35p m	11 15p m	1 30p m
Hammond				11 45p m	2 00p m
Englewood				12 05 am	2 20p m
Chicago Ar	7 45a m	10 25p m	3 25p m	1 05 am	3 20p m
	8 25a m	11 05p m	4 05p m	1 45 am	4 00p m

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